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PART-III
GOVERNMENT OF PUNJAB
DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS' WELFARE
(AGRICULTURE-II BRANCH)

NOTIFICATION

The 9th May, 2025

No.S.O.29/C.A.46/1968/S.27/2025.- Whereas the State Government is of the opinion that the sale, distribution and use of insecticides indicated in the table give below, is not in the interest of basmati rice growers in view of the reason recorded below; namely:-

- (i) That there is a risk of higher pesticide residues than Maximum Residual Level (MRL) fixed by the competent authority in the basmati rice grains on account of use of these agro-chemicals.
- (ii) That the Punjab Agricultural University (PAU), Ludhiana has recommended alternative agrochemicals to control pests of basmati rice in the state of Punjab.
- (iii) That the Punjab Rice Millers and Exporters Association has also reported that many samples got tested by them contain the residue value of these pesticides much above the MRL values in Basmati Rice. The Association requested for ban of these agrochemicals to save the heritage Basmati produce of Punjab, and to ensure hassle free export of basmati rice to other countries; and

Whereas in view of the above, it is imperative to prohibit the sale, distribution and use of the insecticides indicated in the Table given below, on Basmati crop in the state of Punjab, being potential constraint in export and consumption of Basmati rice:

| Table | |
|------------|-------------------|
| Serial No. | Name of Insectide |
| 1. | Acephate |
| 2. | Buprofezin |
| 3. | Chlorpyrifos |
| 4. | Propiconazole |
| 5. | Thiamethoxam |
| 6. | Profenofos |
| 7. | Carbendazim |
| 8. | Tricyclazole |

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| 9. | Tebuconazole |
| 10. | Carbofuran |
| 11. | Imidacloprid |

Whereas the alternatives to the said insecticides, which are low in residue effect, are available in market;

Now, therefore, in exercise of the power conferred by sub-section (1) of section 27 of the Insecticides Act, 1968 (Central Act No. 46 of 1968), and all other powers enabling him in this behalf, the Governor of Punjab is pleased to prohibit the sale, distribution and use of all types of formulations of the insecticides, indicated in the Table in the State of Punjab for a period of sixty days starting from 1st August, 2025 on Basmati Rice, so that good quality of basmati rice with no residual effect can be produced.

DR. BASANT GARG,

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Department of Agriculture and Farmers' Welfare.

HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA AT CHANDIGARH

CORRECTION SLIP

The 5th May, 2025

No. 196 Rules/II.D.4.- Rule 11, Chapter-17 of Punjab and Haryana High Court Rules and Orders, Volume–IV, above proviso (1), is substituted as under:-

"The charges of Rs. 100/- shall be paid in advance alongwith application with contact detail/email of the authorized person for obtaining copies of different records which are detailed in the schedule appended to these rules. Thereafter the total cost of the documents shall be prepared on the basis of the number of copies. If the total cost does not exceed the advance paid, the copies of the documents shall be prepared immediately and the balance amount shall be remitted to the account of applicant immediately. If the total cost of copies is higher than the amount deposited by the applicant, the applicant shall be asked to make good deficient amount. On receipt of full amount the copies shall be prepared."

BY ORDER OF HON'BLE THE CHIEF JUSTICE AND JUDGES.

SMRITI DHIR,
Registrar (Rules)
for Registrar General.